



## ELEVEN MEN DROWNED

### Steamer Kelton Caught in a Gale

### THE DECKLOAD SHIFTED

### A Big Wave Struck the Vessel, Washing the Deckload and Cabin Overboard

### LIFESAVERS RESCUE NINE

### The Vessel Was Riding at Anchor a Mile Off Shore With Three Anchors Down and Holding Until a Vessel Bound North Picked Her up

NEWPORT, Oregon, May 4.—Eleven of the officers and crew of the schooner Minnie E. Kelton, lumber laden from Aberdeen, Wash., to San Francisco, were killed or drowned as the result of a fearful gale Friday night.

The schooner is lying at anchor, half wrecked, about a mile off shore between Yaquina Heads and Cape Foulweather. Captain James McKenna and 11 of his crew were saved. The dead and missing (undoubtedly dead) are: Oiler Walter Peterson, Fireman Barney McVey, Steward Svend Peterson, Cabin boys: R. W. Little and George Johnson; crew: A. Elososson, A. Koske, G. H. Jensen, O. Roskurst, and F. Johnson, Chief Engineer C. R. Lund. Injured: Andrew J. Neilson. Saved: Captain James McKenna, First Mate M. Martin, Second Mate John Mortenson, First Assistant Engineer James Carney, Oiler Walter Hoffman, Fireman John Howard, Fireman C. D. Hansen, sailors: A. Anderson, W. Kaskensen and Andrew J. Neilson.

On Friday the Kelton ran into a strong headwind which increased as day proceeded until by midnight it was blowing a hard gale. The vessel continually shipped large volumes of water and labored heavily in the sea. The rough weather continued until the vessel reached a point eight miles southwest of Yaquina, when the deckload shifted and started the bulkheads of the fireroom and the vessel began filling from the bunkers and the engine room to the hold. The pumps proved unavailing against the inrush of water. Captain Kenna realizing the seriousness of his position headed for the Columbia River, but his fires were soon extinguished. The Kelton filled rapidly and was soon wallowing around at the mercy of the wind and waves. When north of Yaquina Head, the captain, seeing the hopelessness of his condition ordered the craft abandoned and directed that the lifeboat which was large enough to hold the entire crew, be lowered.

While engaged in clearing the lifeboat, the vessel suddenly shipped a tremendous sea, which swept overboard, the deckload of lumber and with it the after deckhouse, both boats and 11 of the men. Shortly afterward a squall shut out from view the lifeboat and the men on the wreckage. They were not seen again until three of their bodies had been picked up on the beach on Sunday. Meantime the men remaining on the Kelton took refuge in the rigging, but fearing they would be swept overboard they crawled along the cargo booms and in this precarious manner succeeded in gaining the forecabin, where they remained until rescued Sunday afternoon.

They had neither water nor provisions and suffered greatly from hun-

ger, thirst and exposure. During this time signals of distress had been flying but failed to attract the attention either of the life saving station or passing vessels. The first intelligence of the wreck was brought to Yaquina Bay Life Saving Station about noon Sunday by Paul Chatterton, a farmer living near the scene of the wreck.

The lifeboat was immediately sent up the coast to the Kelton and the surfman with signalling apparatus went along the shore to the craft. The life boat took the remaining members of the crew and landed them, safely about two miles above the wreck.

Search was then made for those sailors who might have been washed ashore. The boat was found a short distance further north with one man lying dead in the bottom of it. Half a mile further up the beach another body was found on the beach and a third body was found in a mass of wreckage near the second one.

A. J. Neilson, one of the men who had been abandoned on the wreckage managed to save his life after undergoing a horrible experience. When the wreckage struck the beach Saturday night, the breakers piled the lumber on top of the unfortunate sailors. Neilson with a leg broken above the ankle, managed to extricate himself from the grinding mass and reached the shore about 9 o'clock at night. With the broken bones protruding through the flesh and enduring fearful agony, the man lay there all night. Sunday morning he attempted to crawl along the beach when he was discovered by the children of Andrew Wisniewski, a farmer. Wisniewski carried Neilson to his home and came to this place for a physician.

Chief Engineer Lund was last seen in his cabin a moment before it was washed overboard. He is believed to have been killed.

## BIG FIRE IN FRISCO

### Involving a Property and Merchandise Loss of \$200,000

### WHOLE BLOCK IS DESTROYED

### The Fire Started in a Chimney in the Mentone Restaurant—The Block is Surrounded by Market, Geary and Kearney Streets and Grant Avenue

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—Property and merchandise worth \$200,000 was destroyed by a fire tonight which started in a chimney in the Mentone Restaurant and destroyed nearly all of the block bounded by Market, Geary, and Kearney streets and Grant avenue. One man was overcome by smoke and several were seriously injured.

### SUES FOR WAGES.

NEW YORK, May 4.—For three hours tonight Judge Hough in the United States district court listened to arguments which involved the question of the right of President Roosevelt to dismiss three companies of negro soldiers of the 25th infantry for connection with the Brownsville affair. Private Reid, the plaintiff, has sued the government for \$122, his wages from the time he was discharged to the expiration of his term of enlistment. His attorney contended that the enlisted men are protected by constitutional rights which the President is powerless to ignore, even as the commander of the army and that the enlistment operated from the legal view as civil contract between a soldier and the government. Judge Hough reserved his decision but plainly told Reid's counsel that he would require considerable proof to convince that the relations of the enlisted soldier and the government amount to civil contract.

## SEARCHING FOR SUSPECT

### Shirt Found Covered With Human Blood

### SAME SIZE AS COLLAR

### The Arrest of the Suspected Man Is Expected to Occur Within the Next Few Hours

### BELIEVED ON RIGHT TRACK

### The Laundries Were Visited and the Mark on the Shirt Corresponds With the Mark of a Man of Bad Repute.

PORTLAND, May 4.—A shirt covered with human blood, which was found Saturday afternoon behind a lodging house in the north end by the police, is believed to have been worn by the slayer of Nathan Wolff, the pawnbroker, who was murdered in his jewelry store Friday evening. The police kept this find to themselves and not until today did the fact that they were in possession of such a garment become revealed. This was the only development in the case today and accompanied by the statement that a laundry mark on the shirt had not enabled the detectives to come to a nearer solution of the mystery.

The arrest of a man who it is believed murdered the pawnbroker is expected to occur within the next few hours. Investigations resulting from the finding of a bloody shirt at the rear of a north end hotel by the police placed the detectives on what they believe is the right track. The shirt has the same sized collar band as the collar found in Wolff's place of business after the crime was committed. A visit made to the laundries of the city as had been done with the collar and it is alleged the possessor of a laundry mark corresponding to that on the shirt, is a man of bad repute. As soon as this was learned by the police every detective in the city was placed on the search for a suspect and though he has not yet been apprehended at a late hour tonight it was expected he would soon be in the hands of the police.

### INDICTMENTS, DISMISSED.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—The prosecution this afternoon in the Ruef trial dismissed the indictments against W. I. Brobeck and G. H. Umbsen, who with J. E. Green were jointly indicted with Ruef 14 times in the Parkside trolley franchise matter. This followed an action by Heney last Friday in dismissing the Green indictments after the latter had refused to testify because he was a co-defendant. Brobeck has already given his testimony and Umbsen will follow Green on the stand, testifying for the state. Green again took the stand and told of employing Ruef as an attorney for a fee of \$30,000 to get the franchise from the board of supervisors after other means to get the franchise had failed.

### OVERRAN THE COMMITTEE.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—The House completely overran the committee on appropriations in connections with several items in the sundry civil bill. When the measure was laid aside for day \$250,000 had been added to the sum recommended by the committee.

### FLEET UNITED.

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., May 4.—The Atlantic battleships fleet was united once more today when the ships of the second squadron arrived from Monterey and the flotilla of six destroyers joined it from San Pedro, the latter after one of the stormiest voyages of the cruise. The Connecticut is to proceed to Monterey tomorrow and take on board Admiral Evans, after which the flagship will return at once to Santa Cruz. No ceremonies will attend the return of Rear Admiral Evans.

### CLEVELAND IMPROVING.

LAKEWOOD, May 4.—Dr. Bryant, Cleveland's physician, stated tonight that the former president was getting along nicely and had made considerable progress toward recovery.

### FIVE-INCH SHELL.

Relic of the Civil War Explodes in an Armory.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., May 4.—A five-inch shell, a relic of the Civil War, exploded in the armory hall Sunday morning seriously injuring three persons and damaging the walls and ceilings of the building. The accident occurred after a supper which had been given during the evening by Company M of the National Guard. The cannot ball had long been in the possession of the company and it was supposed that the powder had been withdrawn.

### ELEVEN BODIES RECOVERED.

FORT WAYNE, May 4.—A total of eleven bodies have been taken from the Avelin Hotel ruins. Only two more persons are now known to be missing. The Avelin Hotel was burned last night.

## LIST OF ENTRIES

### For the Sixth Annual Regatta at Philadelphia

### CORNELL ASKED TO ENTER

New York, Baltimore, Brooklyn, Boston and Washington to be Represented—St. John's Military Academy to Enter.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Although there are now eleven district college crews entered for the sixth annual regatta of the American Rowing Association at Philadelphia on May 22 a number which breaks all previous collegiate records, the boards of stewards is making a special effort to increase this by securing the entry of Cornell.

The crews of which the stewards are sure are Harvard two, Yale two, University of Pennsylvania four, Columbia one, Georgetown one, and New York University one.

There is only one drawback to the entry of Cornell. Cornell is promoting a regatta of her own at Ithaca, one of the features of which is to be a dual race between the junior eights of Cornell and Pennsylvania, but the stewards think that if Pennsylvania can enter a crew in the American Rowing Association Regatta and then send an eight to Ithaca a week later Cornell can do likewise. The stewards have been virtually assured that they will receive entry of the St. Johns Military Academy eight of Delafield, Wisconsin, for the inter-scholastic race. The entry of this crew will make six school crews in the race, twice as many as ever before entered. The stewards have not been able to make out a list of the club entries, because these crews always get a later start than the college men. There is no doubt, however, that New York, Baltimore, Brooklyn, Washington and Boston will have a good representation.

## BIG STACK TELEGRAMS

### From Newspaper Publishers Throughout Country

### NORRIS ON STAND TODAY

### Amplifying These Statements Norris Presented a Mass of Facts and Figures

### WILLINGNESS TO TESTIFY

### The Committee Has Decided to Adjourn Friday Noon and go to Palmer Falls to Investigate the Mill of the Hudson Paper Co.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—An eight-inch stack of telegram from the newspaper publishers throughout the country, telling of the increased cost of print paper was submitted today to a special house committee which is investigating that subject by John Norris of New York, who occupied the witness stand the entire day. Amplifying these telegraphic statements Norris presented a mass of facts and figures substantiative of the charges brought against the International Paper Company by the American Newspaper Publishers' Association. The committee has practically decided to adjourn at noon next Friday and go to Palmer's Falls, New York, to inspect the mills of the Hudson River Paper Company and take testimony there relative to the cost of production.

Forty-six newspapers publishers have telegraphed their willingness to come to Washington and testify. Chairman Mann requested that they be informed of the adjournment on Friday noon so as many of them as possible could come and testify before them.

### "DORE THORNE" COMING.

To those who have never read Bertha M. Clay's famous novel, the following synopsis of the story will prove interesting, especially as "Dora Thorne" will appear in dramatized form at the Astoria Theatre one night only, May 10th. This play and books deals with a beautiful love story in a rural English home. An innocent girl daughter of a lodge-keeper of an Englishman of high birth, is loved by the son of the latter. The match meets with the disfavor of the young man's father, but despite the fact that the father informs him either to give up the girl or his home of luxury, he chooses "Dora Thorne" and marries her. The young girl, a pure and honest creature, loves the young man quite as well as he does her but through the efforts of a young sailor the young sailor the young couple are separated and made to believe later that each had been unfaithful to the other.

This state comes about as the result of the efforts of Lady Chararis and the father of the Earl. The young sailor returns after two years voyage to find that Dora's favor has been transferred from him to the young nobleman and several complications arise from this, which for a while take on a serious aspect. The time arrives when honesty and faithfulness triumph, and the closing scenes find everything favorable for the young folks.

### ANARCHIST TENDENCIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—In the Fort Mason guardhouse is Private Buwalda of Company A, First Battalion of Engineers. Buwalda had been identified as the soldier who shook hands with Emma Goldman at a meeting of anarchists and pledged her assistance. The identification was made by detectives of the local police force and he was ordered under arrest. Buwalda will be brought before a court martial.

### LOSES HIS SIGHT.

CHICAGO, May 4.—A despatch to the Record Herald from Muskegon, Mich., says: Specialists announced last night that Chas. Moore Hackley, Muskegon's young millionaire with a fondness for common labor, will lose the sight of both eyes as the result of a dynamite explosion last week.

### BAPTIST CONFERENCE.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—The Pacific Coast conference of the Baptist Church will convene in the First Baptist Church on May 12th, the session closing on the 15th. A strong delegation is expected from Northern California and delegates will attend from Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Montana and Arizona.

### NURSES' CONVENTION.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—An excursion train bringing delegates from all over the country to attend the eleventh annual convention of the Nurses' Associated alumnae of the United States arrived in this city yesterday and more are coming. The opening session will be called on Monday morning at Golden Gate Commandery Hall. It is believed there will be an attendance at the convention of at least 500 women.

## BULKELEY'S BELIEF

### Brownsville Affair Championed by Connecticut Senator

### LAWLESS MEXICANS BLAMED

### Favors Foraker Bill Requiring Re-enlistment of the Men Upon Their Statements of Innocence—Important Features of His Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Senator Bulkeley of Connecticut, a member of the military affairs committee, spoke at length in the senate today on the Brownsville affair. Bulkeley declared his belief in the innocence of the negro soldiers and said that the rioters of the town in his judgment were the lawless Mexicans from an outside town, assisted by the lawless class in Brownsville. He insisted that in the absence of light in the city on the night of the raid was sufficient to impeach the testimony of witnesses who told of seeing several negro soldiers. Senator Borah interrupted to say that the night in question was an ordinary starlight night and that the theory of darkness had never been suggested except by men who wanted it to be a dark night. Fulton stated that while he was convinced that the shooting up of Brownsville was done by the negro soldiers he favored Foraker's bill requiring the re-enlistment of the men upon their statements of innocence. Foraker added that the bill had an important feature in its provision that should at any time evidence of the guilt of the men be discovered they would be tried by either the civil or military authorities and by having them back in the army they could be had at an time. Senate today passed a bill for \$250,000 for the relief of the tornado sufferers in the south.